1	2
KARNATAKA	22.5%
KERALA	2.2%
TAMIL NADU	3.6%
TOTAL (S.R.)	8.6%
EASTERN REGION	
BIHAR	34.0%
D.V.C.	10.8%
ORISSA	10.5%
WEST BENGAL	5.4%
TOTAL (E.R.)	14.2%
N. EASTERN REGION	
A.P.	33.2%
ASSAM	10.0%
MANIPUR	2.2%
MEGHALAYA	0.0%
MIZORAM	3.2%
NAGALAND	3.2%
TRIPURA	10.6%
TOTAL (N.E.R.):	9.1%
ALL INDIA	7.4%

US$ 400 only. The latest commissioning schedule for the project is 1996-98. No hydro project is being set up in Gujarat/ Maharashtra by any multinational company.

(d) The Pipavav Project has been offered for execution in the private sector by the Government of Gujarat. The project can be taken up only after a suitable private promoter has been identified.

Power Generation in Thein Dam

973. SHRI BHUPINDER SINGH MANN: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) the time by when the Thein Dam on Ravi river is scheduled to be completed and its power generation capacity on completion;

(b) what was the original cost of this project and what is the present estimated cost; and

(c) what is the estimated cost of power generation per unit of electricity by this project?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRI P.V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) to (c) The original cost of the Thein Project (4×150 MW) was Rs. 243.32 crores at 1982 price level and the latest commissioning schedule is 1997-98 at an estimated cost of Rs. 2020.38 crores (Dec. 1992 price level). The cost of generation will depend upon the final cost of the Project.

974. *[Transferred to 17th March 94]*

Power Generation at Kahalgaon Thermal Power Station

975. SHRI GAYA SINGH: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the power generation at Kahalgaon Thermal Power Station, Bihar is likely to take a longer time to start functioning; and

(b) if so, what are the details of the causes of delay and the cost differences due to it?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRI P.V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) and (b) Delay in the completion of the Kahalgaon Thermal Power Station in Bihar of the National Thermal Power Corporation has been mostly on account of:-

(i) Break-up of erstwhile USSR resulting in delays and disruption of equipment supply.

(ii) Industrial relation problems.

(iii) Accident in boiler of Unit-I in October, 1992.

The delays have resulted mainly in increase in interest and incidental expenses during construction, estimated to be about Rs. 210 crores.

Kayamkulam Thermal Power Project

976. SHRI M.A. BABY: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to refer to answer to unstarred Question 595 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 7th December, 1993 and state:

(a) whether Government have since taken a final decision regarding implementation of Kayamkulam Thermal Power Project in Kerala as a joint venture between M/s. ICMC Power Consortium Inc., U.S.A. and the National Thermal Power Corporation; and

(b) whether any other discussions have been initiated with OECF, Japan and others in connection with the above project and if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRI P.V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) M/s. ICMC Power Consortium Inc. USA had discussions with the National Thermal Power Corporation (NTPC) regarding implementation of the project at NTPC's project site. It has been agreed to between NTPC and Consortium that NTPC would provide exclusivity for implementation of the project by them for a period of one year. During this period, the Consortium have agreed to carry out the specific tasks as per their discussions with NTPC. The Government of Kerala has been requested to consider signing of Power Purchase Agreement (PPA) between Kerala State Electricity Board and the Promoters of the project.

(b) The project has been posed to the Overseas Economic Cooperation Fund (OECF) for financial assistance. Their acceptance is awaited.

लक्ष्मी विष्णु टैक्सटाइल मिल्स, शोलापुर को हुआ घाटा

977. **श्री सुशीलकुमार संभाजीराव शिन्दे:** क्या वस्त्र मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या यह सच है कि लक्ष्मी विष्णु मिल्स, शोलापुर घाटे में चल रही है और मिल के कर्मचारियों ने मांग की है कि इस मिल को सहकारिता के आधार पर चलाने के लिए उन्हें सौप दिया जाये;

(ख) यदि हां, तो उसका ब्यौरा क्या है; और

(ग) सरकार ने इस मामले में क्या निर्णय लिया है?

वस्त्र मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (श्री जी० वेंकट स्वामी): (क) जी, हां

(ख) और (ग) मैसर्स लक्ष्मी विष्णु टेक्सटाइल मिल्स के 1990-91 के बाद के मौजूदा अप्रेनीत घाटे 114.00 करोड़ रु० के हैं। महाराष्ट्र राज्य सरकार द्वारा उपलब्ध कराई गई सूचना के अनुसार राष्ट्रीय गिरनी कामगार संघ जो कि लक्ष्मी विष्णु मिल्स के कामगारों की एक मान्यता प्राप्त अनुमोदित यूनियन है, ने सहकारी आधार पर संचालन के लिए मिल को निम्नलिखित शर्तों के अधीन सौंपने का प्रस्ताव किया है—

1. कामगारों को 1 : 9 के आधार पर शेयर पूंजी दी जाए;

2. मिल की मशीनरी बहुत पुरानी होने के कारण निम्न ब्याज की दर पर दीर्घकालिक ऋण उपलब्ध कराया जाए;

राज्य सरकार ने कामगारों से अपने प्रस्ताव को औद्योगिक वित्तीय एवं पुनः निर्माण बोर्ड (बी आई एफ आर) को पेश करने का निर्देश दिया है जो कि मिल की